

COOPERATIVE FOREST
MANAGEMENT, WILDLAND
FIRE, CONSERVATION
EDUCATION, URBAN
FORESTRY

Cooperative Forest Management

- ▣ We still have twenty districts
- ▣ We have to be creative in covering all counties
 - District 14: Zack Smith and Donna Rogler
 - District 8: Ali Cline (part time)
 - Hired one full-time Asst. District Forester to assist several district foresters
- ▣ Shift to Excess Residential property tax classification is still pushing people to the Classified Forest and Wildlands Program

Wildland Fire

- ▣ Most work is done through the volunteer fire departments with grants, equipment, training and technical assistance
- ▣ Funds from State Forest Timber sales go to support volunteer fire departments
- ▣ Indiana sent three 20 person fire crews west this summer made up of state, federal, and local resources

Conservation Education

- ▣ Using the Training Center as a central point for a multi-day forestry education program targeted to teachers
- ▣ Producing You Tube video clips focused on a variety of forestry education topics.
- ▣ Pursuing grant funds to expand on the Forests at Work DVD.

Community and Urban Forestry

- ▣ Hired a new Community and Urban Forestry Coordinator- Tiffany Arp
- ▣ Continue to work with communities and non-profits to lead a state wide program.
- ▣ Developing a core group of volunteers remains a primary component of the program.